



This 'reef window' is a typical Kosrae reef scene (image Katrina Adams)

Kosrae, at 29°C was warmer than anywhere I've done a giant stride. For reef diving, I can compare it to Australia's Great Barrier Reef and Belize. There are 58 moored buoys with dive sites surrounding the 43-square mile island, over 200 species of hard and soft corals, 250 species of fish and marine life including green sea turtles, schools of fish and rays, forests of tiny Christmas tree invertebrates, and one - the number of non-staff divers on each day's dive boat - which was me. Beautiful hard coral gardens punctuate the eastern side of Kosrae. On the western side, the gardens give way to plunging walls. Sharks, dogtooth tuna, barracuda schools and other exciting ocean citizens can all be encountered along the reef's edge, all around the island.

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